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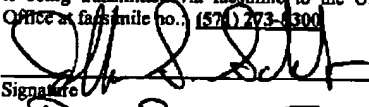
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This paper is responsive to a Non-Final Office action dated September 8, 2005, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on December 8, 2005. Applicant addressed the restriction and rejections with the following remarks. Further examination and reconsideration are requested.